(b) whether it is a fact that in these jhuggies, certain elements are regularly kidnapping girls with intention to sell them etc;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to arrest those culprits involved in this crime; and also to recover the girls?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (d) The Delhi Police have reported that (only) one case of kidnapping of a 14 year old girl was reported during the current year from the residents of Kanchanpuri, Pushta Rajghat Power House, Delhi. A case has been registered on 22-11-91 at Police Station Darya Ganj, Delhi.

Among the measures taken are increased of patrolling, close watch over the criminals, proper investigation of reported cases and selective offer of rewards.

Curb on Press in Jammu and Kashmir

2885. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any letter dated 18th July, 1991 from Jammu and Kashmir Committee of All India Trade Union Congress urging for lifting of unnecessary curbs on the local Press and stopping mass scale shifting of employees of Central Government and State Government services in the Jammu and Kashmir; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Despite the fact that vernacular media in the Valley continues to remain the mouthpiece of the terrorists publishing statements of banned/terrorist organisations thereby making it liable for prosecution under the State law, realising the piquant situation in which the media personnel are placed in the Valley due to fear psychosis created by the terrorists, the administration has shown considerable restraint in taking action against such publications. The reported advice of the Press Council of India to the local media in this connection is also relevant.

There have been no mass scale shifting of Govt. employees to Jammu. A.I.T.U.C. has actually commented upon the migrant employees getting salaries without any work. The stand of the Govt. has been that till these unfortunate employees, who had to leave Srinagar in grave danger to save their lives and honour, are not adjusted elsewhere or are enabled to return to Srinagar in secure conditions, they will receive leave salaries at places where they have taken temporary shelter. This matter is subject to periodical review.

Shifting of Office of Central Finger Print Bureau, Calcutta

2886. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the office of the Central Finger Print Bureau, Calcutta has recently been shifted to Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of its employees who have been transfered to Delhi with their designations, departments etc.;

(c) whether any suitable accommodation has been provided to such transferred staff;

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government propose to compensate fully to these employees for getting private accommodation; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?